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Attorney Docket No. PD-200211

Filing Date: May 30, 2001

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Please find attached Re: 09/870,323

- Amendment Transmittal.
- Amendment Response to PTO Rejection dated 1/30/2006
- Statement of Common Ownership

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PATENT

Docket No. PD-200211

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:** Robert G. Arsenault, et al.  
**Serial No.:** 09/870,323  
**Filed:** May 30, 2001  
**For:** SIMULTANEOUS TUNING OF MULTIPLE  
 SATELLITE FREQUENCIES

Date: April 20, 2006  
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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Mail Stop Amendment  
 Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time for () month to respond to the Office Action dated \_\_\_\_\_.  
 If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ month(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of  
 is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated January 30, 2006.  
 However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently  
 overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

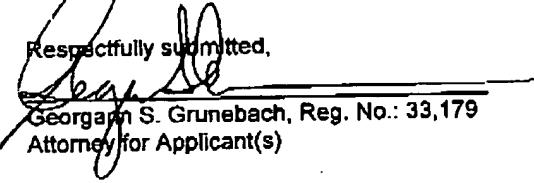
Additional fee for claims is required.

The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	86 minus	81 =	5 x	\$ 50.00	\$	250.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	5 minus	5 =	0 x	\$ 200.00	\$	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS			0 +	\$ 360.00	\$	0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:						\$ 250.00

Charge **\$250.00** to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of The DIRECTV Group, Inc. (formally Hughes Electronics Corporation), El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. If any additional extension fee is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. This transmittal letter is submitted in duplicate.

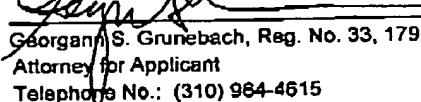
Respectfully submitted,

  
 Georgann S. Grunebach, Reg. No.: 33,179  
 Attorney for Applicant(s)

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April 20, 2006  
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